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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Ruddy *et al.* Confirmation No.: 7064  
Serial No.: 08/852,495 Art Unit: 1634  
Filed: May 7, 1997 Examiner: Goldberg, Jeanine  
For: POLYMORPHISMS IN THE Attorney Docket No: 8907-057-999  
REGION OF THE HUMAN  
HEMOCHROMATOSIS GENE

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated February 9, 2004 be extended for a period of two month(s) from May 9, 2004 to and including July 9, 2004.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$420.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 23, 2004

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